

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

744 P Street, Sacramento, CA 95814



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COUNTY FISCAL LETTER (CFL) NO. 05/06-12

TO: COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS
COUNTY WELFARE FISCAL OFFICERS

SUBJECT: FISCAL YEAR (FY) 2005/06 KINSHIP/FOSTER CARE
EMERGENCY FUND STATE GENERAL FUND (SGF)
ALLOCATION

The purpose of this letter is to provide counties with their allocations for the Kinship/Foster Care Emergency Fund Program for FY 2005/06. A total of \$1,000,000 in SGF has been made available with the approval of the FY 2005/06 Budget Act.

The Kinship/Foster Care Emergency Fund was established in recognition of the number of foster children placed with relative caregivers in foster homes on an emergency basis. The purpose of the Kinship/Foster Care Emergency Fund is to remove some of the barriers associated with making successful placements in relative caregiver and foster family homes.

The allocation was based on Relative Placement caseload from the Child Welfare Services/Caseload Management System for March 2005 and was calculated as follows:

Counties with 500 or more children in relative placements	\$47,777
Counties with at least 100 but fewer than 500 children in relative placements	\$15,926
Counties with fewer than 100 children in relative placements	\$5,000

In prior years, this program was funded 100 percent with SGF; however The California Department of Social Services has received a policy clarification from the federal Department of Health and Human Services that administrative costs associated with the Kinship/Foster Care Emergency Fund are allowable under Title IV-E. As a result, the funding ratio for expenditures claimed to Program Code (PC) 562 has been changed to 50/50/0/0 (Federal/State/Health/County). State Use Only (SUO) Code 493 has been established to apply the non-federal discount rate to PC 562. Costs exceeding the SGF allocation will be shifted to county only via SUO Code 563.

Any questions concerning this allocation should be directed to fiscal.systems@dss.ca.gov. For questions concerning the use of these funds contact the Kinship Care Policy Unit at (916) 657-1858.

Sincerely,

Original Document Signed by Andy Kraus for

KATHY FARMER, Chief
Financial Management and Contracts Branch

Attachment

c: CWDA

**KINSHIP & FOSTER CARE EMERGENCY FUND
FY 2005/06 ALLOCATION**

County	SGF Allocation
Alameda	\$47,777
Alpine	\$5,000
Amador	\$5,000
Butte	\$15,926
Calaveras	\$5,000
Colusa	\$5,000
Contra Costa	\$47,777
Del Norte	\$5,000
El Dorado	\$5,000
Fresno	\$47,777
Glenn	\$5,000
Humboldt	\$5,000
Imperial	\$15,926
Inyo	\$5,000
Kern	\$47,777
Kings	\$15,926
Lake	\$5,000
Lassen	\$5,000
Los Angeles	\$47,785
Madera	\$5,000
Marin	\$5,000
Mariposa	\$5,000
Mendocino	\$5,000
Merced	\$15,926
Modoc	\$5,000
Mono	\$5,000
Monterey	\$15,926
Napa	\$5,000
Nevada	\$5,000
Orange	\$47,777
Placer	\$15,926
Plumas	\$5,000
Riverside	\$47,777
Sacramento	\$47,777
San Benito	\$5,000
San Bernadino	\$47,777
San Diego	\$47,777
San Francisco	\$47,777
San Joaquin	\$15,926
San Luis Obispo	\$15,926
San Mateo	\$15,926
Santa Barbara	\$15,926
Santa Clara	\$47,777
Santa Cruz	\$15,926
Shasta	\$15,926
Sierra	\$5,000
Siskiyou	\$5,000
Solano	\$15,926
Sonoma	\$15,926
Stanislaus	\$15,926
Sutter	\$5,000
Tehama	\$5,000
Trinity	\$5,000
Tulare	\$15,926
Tuolumne	\$5,000
Ventura	\$15,926
Yolo	\$15,926
Yuba	\$5,000
TOTAL	\$1,000,000